

From: [Firestone, Michael](#)
To: [Walt Sanders](#)
Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer
Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:57:00 PM

Walt

I'm downtown in the Federal Triangle area of DC. My building is located next to the Ronald Reagan Building.

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[Can we have an hour for the meeting from 2 pm to 3 pm?](#)

[So are you located in downtown DC or in Crystal City? The last time we had a meeting on this subject matter we met in Crystal City.](#)

From: Firestone, Michael [<mailto:Firestone.Michael@epa.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:50 PM

To: Walt Sanders

Cc: 'Darren Gill'

Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer

Thanks Walt!

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2 pm on Tuesday, October 28 works for us.

From: Firestone, Michael [<mailto:Firestone.Michael@epa.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:38 PM

To: Walt Sanders

Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer

How about 2 pm?

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We can meet at 1:00 pm meeting, if that works for you, or earlier or later if necessary.

From: Firestone, Michael [<mailto:Firestone.Michael@epa.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:28 PM

To: Walt Sanders

Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer

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I only have a 1 pm meeting on Tuesday and if that's the only time that works, I'll make the turf meeting my priority.

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From: Walt Sanders [<mailto:wsanders@vmgthehill.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:25 PM

To: Firestone, Michael

Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer

Tuesday might be good. Let me talk to Field Turf. Could we do the meeting Tuesday afternoon?

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From: Firestone, Michael [<mailto:Firestone.Michael@epa.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:20 PM

To: Walt Sanders; McQueen, Jacqueline

Cc: Reed, Khesha

Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer
Walt

Can you make it Monday or Tuesday? Wed. is an all-day internal-EPA Children's Environmental Health Summit and I'm at home on Thursday.

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From: Walt Sanders [<mailto:wsanders@vmgthehill.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:18 PM

To: McQueen, Jacqueline; Firestone, Michael

Subject: RE: artificial turf and cancer

Jackie and Michael,

We have meetings scheduled with CPSC Commissioners from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm on October 29. So, we could meet with EPA either the morning of October 29 or anytime on October 30. Please let me know what you are able to arrange.

Thanks for all your help.

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From: McQueen, Jacqueline [<mailto:McQueen.Jacqueline@epa.gov>]

Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 4:05 PM

To: Walt Sanders

Subject: Re: artificial turf and cancer

Hi Walt.

Yes, of course I remember you. I think you are suggesting that you want to brief EPA staff,

correct? If so, I will check with people within ORD but primarily in the Office of Pollution, Prevention, and Toxic Substances and perhaps the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response. I will be out next Monday - Wednesday, but can start checking on Thursday to see if people are interested and available. In the meantime, if you could send me a draft agenda of the topics that you want to cover, and a list of people who you would like to bring, it would help me.

Thanks.

Jackie McQueen

From: Walt Sanders <wsanders@vmgthehill.com>

Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 3:40 PM

To: McQueen, Jacqueline

Subject: artificial turf and cancer

Dear Jackie,

As you may recall, I represent the Synthetic Turf Council (STC), which is the association of artificial turf manufacturers and installers through the world. I also represent Field Turf, which is the largest turf manufacturer in the world. I have had a long client relationship with both the STC and Field Turf and worked closely with the CPSC staff in resolving the lead in turf blade issue as well as the crumb rubber and infill issue with both CPSC and EPA.

A recent story on the NBC nightly news this week as well as a story on page 2 of the Washington Post sports section contain allegations from consumers that there is a connection between artificial turf and the incidence of cancer. Please see the link below to the Post story.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/early-lead/wp/2014/10/09/is-there-a-link-between-artificial-turf-and-cancer-in-soccer-goalsies/>

Field Turf has asked me to come a brief appropriate staff at the EPA sometime the week of October 27, so I thought I would start with your division and perhaps you could help me include appropriate staff from EPA's health division.

Please let me know if you are available the week of October 27 and other staff that might be included in the meeting.

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